RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Chat by the Way-Ministerial Movements.

SYNAGOGUE WORSHIP

New Jersey Methodists in Conneil-Election of Deacous and Elders.

PROGRAMME OF SERVICES.

In Brooklyn Tabarnacia to-day the Roy, T. De Witt Talmage will preach an Easter sermon in the morning and discuss the question of rum or temperance rule in Brooklyn in the evening.

An Easter sermon will be preached by Rev. E. C.

Sweetser this morning in Bleecker street Universalist Church and in the evening "The Victory that Over-

The Spiritualists will celebrate the twenty-ninth anniversary of their ism to-day in Harvard Rooms.

"Resurrection and Excarnation" will be considered by Rev. C. P. MacCarthy this morning and "Mormonism Ecclesiastically and Socially" will be considered in the evening before the American Free Church.

An Easter singing sermon will be given in the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, in the morning by Rev. Fred Bell, who in the evening will talk about "Rich and

"The Transforming Power of Carist's Glorifled Pres ence" will be presented in Willett Street Methodist Episcopal Church this evening by Rev. J. E. Scarles. The American Temperance Union will hold their meeting in Science Hall this afternoon.

At Washington Square Methodist Episcopal Church
a floral service will be held in the morning, and in the evening Rev. William Lloyd, who goes to the Reformed Church, will give his "Benediction" to his old asso-The Rev. W. N. Dunnell will minister to the Church

of All Saints at the usual hours to-day. The Rev. Samuel Coloord will repeat (by request) his sermon on "God's Great Love" this evening, and will

preach an Easter sermon in the morning. At the Free Tabernacie Methodist Episcopal Church the Rev. John Johns will preach this merning on "Death No Fos." In the evening a service of song

In the Church of Our Saviour the Rev. J. M. Pullman will preach this morning on "The Spiritual Resur-Easter services will be held in the Church of the

Beaveniy Rest at the usual hours to-day.

Dr. Deems will preach as usual to-day in the Church

An Easter service and sermon will be given by Rev. W. F. Hatfield, in the Eighteenth Street Methodist

sermon on "The Opening of the Books."

Bishop Potter will administer the rite of confirmation this morning in the French Church Du St.

The Free Episcopal Church of the Reconciliation will be ministered to to-day by the Rev. E. A. Widde

ing in the Free Baptist Church.
In the First Reformed Episcopal Church the Bov.

Dr. Armitage will continue his series of sermons on "The Men of the Great Week," with special reference this morning to "Christ's Judicial Murder—His Roman Trial." In the evening "Christ the Source of Resur-

"The Penitent Thief" will serve a good purpose by Rev. J. S. Kennard this morning for Grace Baptist

William Lloyd will begin his pastoral term to-day, preaching in the morning on "Risen with Christ" and in the afternoon on "The Sepulchre Sealed and the Beal Broken."

Miss Anna Oliver will preach in Beckman Hill Methedist Episcopal Church this morning and evening. Rev. W. H. Leavell will preach for the Pilgrim Baptist Church at the usual hours to-day.
"The Resurrection of Christ" and "The Character of

Jesus" will be discussed by Rev. J. H. Lightbourn in Beventeenth Street Methodist Episcopal Church to-day, Rev. J. T. Walden will preach in St. Mark's Protestant Episcopal Church to-day.

Rev. H. W. Knapp, D. D., will minister morning and evening in Laight Street Baptist Church.

"Types and Predictions of Christ's Resurrection" and "Proofs" of the same will be discussed by Rev. J. D. Herr in the Central Baptist Church to-day.

Dr. Isaac Wescott will discuss "Punctuality" "Sabbath Schools" to-day in the vestry of the Fortysighth Street Church.

lev. H. G. De Witt will preach in the South Baptis Church at the usual hours to-day.

Dr. Ewer will speak before St. Ignatius' Protestant

Episcopal Church this evening on "True Godliness."

The Rev. J. M. King will close his pastorate at St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church this evening with sacramental service. Sermon in the morning.

The Rev. W. B. Merritt will preach in the Sixth avosue Reformed Church at the usual bours to-day. In St. James' Protestant Episcopal Church the Rev. C. B. Smith will preach morning and evening.

In the Spring Street Presbyterian Church the Rev. A. H. Moment will preach this morning on "The Fwelve," and this evening on "A Man Sceking a

The Rev. A. R. Hart will officiate for St Stanbanks Protestant Episcopal Church at the usual hours to-day, The Rev. J. S. Holme, D. D., will preach for the Tabsrnacle Baptist Church at the usual hours to-day.

"Immortality" and "The Publican" will command the attention of the Rev. Carlos Martyn and the Reformed Church in West Thirty-fourth street to-day. In the West Twenty-third Street Presbyterian

Church the Rev. E. N. White, D. D., will preach this morning and evening.

To-day being Palm Sunday in the Greek Church appropriate services will be held in the Russian Chapel this morning, Rev. Father N. Bjerring, pastor.

morning by Rev. D. B. Jutten in the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church. In the evening the "Fact and Proof

CHAT BY THE WAY.

of Christ's Resurrection" will be given.

The great tragedy is over, and the Easter sun welcomes us to the scene of the Resurrection. The minor music of the Tenebræ has changed to the jubitant song of the believer's faith in immortality. None but an angel could have rolled that ponderous stone away from the door of the sepuichre. If the body of our Lord had been found in the tomb we should never have known the triumph of this Easter morning. The stone that was rolled away has become the corner stone of our Christian faith.

No man can be revengeful without deliberately keeping his own wounds open. Let your wounds heal up, and then you will be ready to forgive; but if you probe them every day the pain you give yourse.f only serves

To many people self resembles the sun-f. c., it is the centre of the entire system-and the whole effort of their lives is to give a centripetal impulse to every-

You will not forget that it is in perfect accordance with the law of "natural selection" to pick out the bigger and better part and keep it for yourself.

The smallest things are sometimes well adapted to point a moral. A clam, for instance, belongs to a very significant order of creation, and yet we heard petulant critic say of a prolix preacher the other day, I wish that man knew as much as a clam." Our habit being to search for information at all times we asked, "Why do you say that? What does the clam

know that is to important?" He replied, with a certain acidity in his voice, "Sir, every respectable clam knows just when to shut up, and that is more than can be said of some talkers." We at once became silent and

All your talk about this or that Church being better than another because H is more conservative is a slip of the tongue. That Church is best which works hardest for humanity. Neither money nor eloquence can make a Church last unless it has the good of the

It does not ask you what you profess nor what are the ing, and if you are resting on your respectability and on the fact that in all the vast congregation to which Mr. Touchemlightly ministers there is not a single called gown, not all the big diamonds in the broad aisle nor all the carriages that are drawn up before the door can cure the dry rot of unbelief which will sooner or later cause your death.

A little boy swallowed by mistake a tumblerful of lye the other day, and his parents were greatly alarmed. The physician, however, calmed their fears by saying that the potion would do no harm if they would send him away from the farm and train him to political life. The more lye he drank the more he

would be likely to succeed.

At last a sensible man has been found who is willing to face some of the inevitable facts of married life.
When dying he made a will, in which he expressed a hope that his wife would not be deterred from a second marriage by any romantic ideas connected with himself, a clause which it is not always necessary for a man to put into his will, and then bequeathed to her \$10,000 extra as a wedding gift whenever a suitable number two could be found. It is entirely unneces, and the injunction of the first husband to make another matrimonial experiment was tried.

Here is a characteristic Americanism which every one will recognize. He was in the company of some of those who fought in the late war. He had just related a little experience of his own. The landlord inquired, "What position did you hold, sir?" ccipted bill was handed to him with these words, "You need not pay a dollar for your entertainment at my botel, sir, for you are the only private I ever heard of The rest have all been officers of the highest rank.

Human nature delights in the various epidemical forms of humbug. At one time all the world goes mad over Graham bread, while the author of the excitement quietly sits down to his beefsteak. At another time the repugnance to Spitz dogs rages like a conflagra-tion, and the pet of the parior finds his coffin in an ash parrel. Now, again, we are delightfully crazed over blue glass. We put our plants, our babies and our rheumatism under it. The plants are expected to become trees in a night, the babies to absorb genius enough to enable them to become politicians, or feminine evangelists with the breathless Presbytery at their beels, and the rhoumatism to vacate the premises and to take forcible possession of our neighbor's joints and muscles. What would life be worth without some quiet delusion of this kind?

Pope Pius IX. is a pattern of genial temper and unruffled kindness in his old age. His years begin to bear very heavily upon him, and he is making active preparations to go the way of all the living. As we look back on his public career we gladly accord him the meed of great praise. He has been exceedingly patient under unusual suffering and trial, and has endured the reverses and the imprisonment which the chances of war and revolution brought with a calm-ness and fortitude unsurpassed. Few in the long list of illustrious sovereigns can boast of a brighter or more auspicious rule than the Holy Father Pins IX.

What could better illustrate the peculiarities of the boy of the period than this incident? lost ?" said a gentleman to a little fellow who was rubbing his eyes and making the welklu ring, "Are you lost?" He replied, "No, I'm not lost, but my mother ic, and she can't-find me."

Domestic economy is undoubtedly the prince of virtues. Next to this comes domestic affection. When there arises an emergency, and one of these virtues must prevail to the discomfiture of the other, then economy must be the victorious party. The stern logic of this assertion was exemplified the other day. husband, in his last agonies, became somewhat restless. His spouse smoothed out the shoets several times without a murmur, but at last she came to her economical senses and said testily, "Now, John, do be quiet; there is no use in kicking around and wearing out those new sheets, even if you are dying. Just keep still and die quietly."

If your congregation happens to be inattentive the best way to cure them of this bad habit is not to scold and fret, but just to say something that is worth not in the habit of taking, but if it is administered in large doses it is sure to effect a cure.

This sensitiveness to right and wrong of which we hear so much in sermons is a very curious quality. Sometimes it is the result of moral principle and sometimes of business shrewdness. We got out of the carriage once and over a stone wall to take a few apples from a tempting tree. Our father-in-law cried out, "Don't take them." We replied, "Why not?" He answered, "Because its wrong." Then we were abashed. We recovered our cheerfulness, however when the old gentleman continued, "There are two objections to taking those apples. In the first place, as I have before mentioned, it is wrong, and in the second place, if you had looked a little more carefully you would have seen that those apples are not ripe."

We are undoubtedly on the edge of great ecclesiastical changes. Two inventions have burst on the astheir coming at the same time is proof positive that the whole method of pulpit administration is to be changed. Small ministers are doomed, and the sooner they begin to look for more lucrative and more secular employment than reading poor sermons to their houses the better. First, we have the telephone. It is proposed to erect a marble retreat in Union square, with tubes connecting with every church in the city. On Sanday the congregations will assemble as usual, but instead of gazing into the minister's face they will look at a huge lunnel-shaped projection in the middle of the chancel. A popular preacher will be placed in the marbio retreat, with an eloquent and stirring sermon. He will preach at about 500 open tubes, and his eloquence will be trans mitted to as many congregations, and emerge from the bell-shaped projection in the chancel with all the various modulations of the preacher's voice. Next we are to have the pyrophone, an organ with copper pipes, whose notes can be distinctly heard over the whole city. We can sit in our own houses and listen to a sacred concert or gather on our front stoops and unite in a congregational hymn while s precenter up in a balloon beats the time. This is certainly an age of labor-saving invention and spiritual

NEWARK METHODIST CONFERENCE. CONDITION OF THE EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLISH-ING INTERESTS-ELECTION OF LEACONS AND

ELDERS.

After the opening devotional services of the Conference yesterday the report of the condition of the Elizabeth district was made by Presiding Elder Arnut, Two new churches have been built during the year and the preachers have been generally paid them salaries. On the Newton districts Elder Opdyke reported that pastors' salaries and missionary collections would be largely deficient. Revivals had prevailed in many churches, and the temperance cause had been attended to. E. H. Conkling was admitted into full connection in the Conference. L. D. Harris, who is an ordained elder, and who was for a time a missionary in Chins, was continued on trial for another year. He has had a hard parish to work in during the past year, but has had a revival which brought sixty Converts to the church. But because he had not been two years on trial in the conference work it was deemed best to give him another year's probation. Both cap didates were examined by the Bishop in the disciplinary questions and by the Conference as to their use of acco, which they fortunately discard. A resolution was adopted by the Conference that no man be received late full connection or on trial except by a counted

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The following named persons were elected to deacons' orders:—Sinks Van Duyne, Lewis T. Janes, son of the deceased Bishop, Hoyt B. Hunt, John Grawford, J. F. Andrews, H. B. Molynesux and John A. Guitridge J. R. Wright and Truman Weed, students at Drew Semmary, and members on trial of the South Kamas Conference, with with the others, be ordained deacons this morning in Hedding Church. The latter with friture in a few weeks to Kansas. Elam M. Gartton and J. G. Johnstone were elected and will be ordained elected to the same place this afternoon.

The report of the trust cool the Concence Semmary at Hacketslown was presented. It shows that the proteins of the institution last year were \$2,500; that there remains a deut of \$30,200 on the property yet, and that its uncollected subscriptions and other promised assets amount to \$0,824. It has a fine property valued at nearly \$200,000. From 185 to 218 students of both sexes have spent one or more terms within its walls during the conference year; thirty-six are the chilbren of ministers and forty are preparing for the ministry. In the less graduating class of twenty-five there were tweive latters who received the degrees of M. E. L. or M. L. A. (Mistress of English Literature or Mistress of the Liberal Arts).

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10. Nelson, agent of the Book Concern, addressed the Conterence on the publishing interests, and told the Conference on the publishing interests, and told them that the net profits for 1575 amounted to \$71.526 45-m good showing, as he thought, for the hard times. Dr. Fowler, editor of the Caristian Adve-

cate, and Dr. Curry, editor of the National Repository, also addressed the Conference in the interests of their publications. The feeling of the Conference was very clearly manifested toward both of those doctors. Dr. Fowier, the present editor of the Adecate, was received coldity but politicity, without any demonstration of appliause, while Dr. Curry, the former editor, was greeted with repeated evidences of approval.

The Rev. Joseph Ayres was given a superannuale relation, and Rev. Thomas Haugh a supernumerary relation, and Rev. Thomas Haugh a supernumerary relation. Mrs. Rouse, of Sussex street, unvited the Conference to a reception at her house on Monday, from five to eight o'clock P. M.

APPENNOON SESSION.

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APTRINGON SESSION.

In the afternoon Dr. Van Zandt presided. Revs. Paimer, Tuttie, Little, Bosweli and Morrow were appointed a committee to nominate Conference officers. Dr. J. M. Reid addressed the Conference on missions. He urged that every pastor should take up collections for this cause. If each pastor fails off only \$5 the treasury will lose \$50,000 in a year. In a Missionary Committee have appropriated \$550,000 for this year, \$50,000 less than was raised a year ago. The collections in the Eastern conferences will about equal those of 1875-d, but in the West the collections will fail off and the debt of \$262,000 with hardly be relieved this year and the work may be embarrassed. There are \$,000 missionaries in the field and they must be sustained.

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Rev. Isaac J. Lansing, president of the Atlanta University, addressed the Conference on the interests of education for the freedmen of the South. He regratied that of the 209 charges in the Newark Conference 11 latiled to take up a collection for this cause. Siavery made the colored people poor. They were forbidden to have schoots, and even to-day you cannot find schools in many places in the South, and ignorance is likely to continue. Vanderbilt University, of which so much has been said and written, is closed to the blacks. The policy of the South to-day is, as before, to keep the laborer in ignorance. The immorality entailed on the blacks was even worse than their ignorance. And because a Northern man goes South to teach he is socially labooed by Southern white men. Mr. Lansing lived two years in atlanta, and neither mat Christian nor ministerial character had been recognized by any Southern clergyman. The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church has drawn a colored line and received its only rebuke from the President of the United States, R. B. Hayes, and the speaker shood with President Hayes against a color line. He would rather rot in a dungeon with the black man who wronged him. There are 170,000 colored members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the South, gathered in during fifteen years. The Roman Catholic Church has spent \$133,000 in that section during 1876, and sixty Jesuis have recently gone down there. They are opening free schools for the freetimen all over that land, and he noped the Methodist Church would try and dute same, and not report 3,700 charges in which no collections for this cause shall be taken up this year, as was done last year. Mr. Lansing's address was frequently applianced. The officers of the several conference societies, temperance, tracts, Sunday schools, education, &c., were then elected; and after

AMERICAN PRIESTS IN BELGIUM. The Belgian correspondent of the Catholic Review writes concerning the recent ordination in Louvain of the following named American priests, whose parents reside in this city and vicinity:-On January 26, at Tronchiennes, near Ghent, His Grace Seraphinus Vannutelli, Archbishop of Nice and Apostolic Nuncio to the King of Beigium, conferred the tonsure and minor orders on the following Americans, all members minor orders on the following Americaus, all members of the Society of Jesus belonging to the mission of New York, and now pursuing their studies at Louvain:—James Fagan, William Gaguleor, Francis X. Sadlier, George Fargis, Raphael O'Conneil and Joseph Zwinge. On a former occasion the following Americans were also promoted to the same orders and at the same place by Mgr. Bracq, Bishop of Ghent:—John Koveney, Daniel McGoldrick, Francis W. Gunn, George Lucas, Michael O'Brien and John F. X. O'Conor.

OPEN CHURCHES FOR EVENING

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:her touching the order of services in the Episcopal Church, and I hope her communication will have the effect of correcting the evil complained of speedily, but I do not think any person who believes and pro-Catholic merely because the Roman churches are Rept continually open. The convictions of an Episco-palinn may lead him to embrace the Reman Catholic religion I grant, but tout he is converted occause they keep open churches I don't believe. I do not think it is church religion and church prayer that the Episco-palians need most, but rather that which is carried into the duties and details of everyday life. And al-though one may have more devout teelings while pray-ing in church, yet I don't not an earnest, sincere Christian will find sufficient comfort and help in secret prayer. For kent continually open. The convictions of an Episco-

Prayer is the burden of a sigh, The falling of a tear; The opward granding of an eye, When none but tool is near.

MINISTERIAL MOVEMENTS.

Some forms of shared where others fail. The Preshyterians tried ten years ago to establish a church at Washington Heights (141st street and Eighth avenue) but failed. A year and a half ago a student from the Episcopal Seminary in this city went to the same ground and began to hold services in the room of a dwelling opposite which he has now built a neat church edifice, and now has a society of the fact that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Sixth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Sixth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line has a green dashboard, and that the Canal street car of the Eighth avenue line eighty or 100 scholars who rejoice to call him pastor. There is a debt of a few hundred dollars on the church property, which the members are trying to pay off by ittle and little.

The Rev. Richard M. Hayden has accepted the superintendency of the Leaks and Watts Orphan House,

New York city, after to-day. Rev. Dr. Riley, Bishop-elect for Mexico, has labored in that country since 1859. He reports the Episcopal Church property tuere as worth \$1,000,000, and the prospects as most cheering. He is at present in this country lecturing in the interests of his Mexican mis-

The Rev. John M. Heffernan, recently rector of St. Paul's Church, Paterson, N. J., died at Charleston, S. C., on Thursday. He was a graduate of Columbia College and of the General Theological Seminary, and for a brief period was the incumbent of Ali Angels, in this city. He was thirty-five years old and leaves a wife and family. He had gone South for his health's sake.

There is a growing conviction among Church people that too much has been paid for music in the larger churches in New Haven, and the vestry of St. Paur's has just decided to reduce their expenditures in this ular from \$2,700 to \$1,000.

The Rev. John H. White has resigned the position of assistant minister of St. Andrew's Church, Meriden, Conn., to take effect this week.

The new church of Trinity parish, Rockaway, L. I., which is tapidly approaching completion, when finished will be a handsome structure, capable of scating 400 persons.

The Episcopalians of Brooklyn are about to build a cathedral for Bisnop Littlejonn, and they have now a bill before the Legislature to incorporate "The Cathedral of the Incarnation." The Bishops and Drs. John son, Schenck, Hall and Snively and Rev. J. C. Middle-

drai of the incarnation." The Bishops and Dra, Johnson, Schenck, Hall and Snively and Rev. J. C. Middleton, of Glen Cove, together with Judge Gilbert and Messrs. J. A. King, Prince, Husted, Orr and W. G. Low, of Brooslyn, are the trustees named in the bill.

The Rev. Mr. De Hart, of this city, has gone to be pastor of the Church in Janacca, L. I., whose pulpit has been vacant for several months.

The church at Flatlands L. I., has closed five weeks' revival meetings, with eight converts and increased attendance and marked interest in the services.

The Rev. Minor Swick has resigned the pastorate of the Reformed Church of Oyster Bay, L. L., to take effect May I.

That was a rare pastorate which the Rev. C. P. Masden reached on the first squeday in this month, when he preached his filtieth anniversary sermon as pastor of the Second Reformed Church of Philadeliphia. During the half century Mr. Masden reached 4 valves and 11 teachers.

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At Beavernam, N. Y., twenty-nine were added to the Church at the last communion occasion. Twenty-six were added the same date to the Church at Centreville, Mich., and at Athens, N. Y., it is said that all conditions, from the highest to the lowest, seem touched as by a live coal from off the aitar.

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According to Baptist logic, as laid down by the Examiner and Chronicia, Mr. Haynes and every other minister of a Pedo-Baptist church must be reordained as well as rebaptized before they can become Baptist ministers. The Rev. Mr. Fermer, an ex-Methodist, who recently became paster of the Baptist church of Pern Yan, has violated Baptist order and togic by accepting the pasterate without such reordination. The apostoire succession of Episcopainus is not a circumstance to that of the Baptists thus enunciated by the doctors of theology. Mr. Haynes has been called to the pasterate of the Washington Avenue Church, Brooklyn, after he has been reordained.

Mr. Haynes in his baptismal andress, it would seem, discovered that the "distinguishing lenture" of Baptists is not immersion nor close communion, as themselves and others have supposed, but "a regenerate

Dr. J. B. Thomas, of Brooklyn, has been called to a pastorate in Baitimore, lately vacated by death.

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The Rev. J. M. Buckley, of Stamford, has gone to Texas for six weeks to escape the rough winds of this climate. Rough on Texas, though.

Rev. William Taylor has gone to San Prancisco, his old battle ground, where he bogan a series of revival meetings has Sabbath.

Dr. A. C. George has been transferred from Western New York to West Virgina Conference. Bishop Ames has stationed him at Wheeling.

Rev. Henry Hittleid, aged eighty-three years, a member of the New York has Conference, and resident in Brooklya, and Rev. Richard Parkor, a local preacher of this city, were buried last week. Suitable notice of the death of the dirst named was taken by the preachers' meeting last Monday.

Dr. J. H. Vincent, of this city, left last week for a trip across the continent. He will be absent about two months. He was to address the Sunday School Congress and attend the seasions of the International Lesson Committee in Indianapolis yesterday. And next week he will attend a Congress at St. Louis, then at Lawrence, Kan. Going thence to San Francisco be will take in another Sunday school gathering there carly in May, and roturn by way of Des Montes, lowa, where another Sunday school half will be made.

Mrs. Jenne F. Willing closed a meeting of eighteen days in Indianapolis on Wednesday of last week. More than 150 professed conversion.

Another Methodist pastor has changed his donomination, Rev. Edward Wilson, of New Brusswick, N. J., becomes pastor of the new Reformed Episcopal Church at Rahway, N. J.

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Ficet Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, has contributed \$950 to the missionary treasury; \$500 of this amount was given by Mr. W. M. Ingraham as a memorial offering in nonor of his deceased wife. Sixteen conferences of the Methodist Protestant Church have responded affirmatively, and four conference lor a convention of the Church, to be held in Baltimore next May. The adverse conferences have chosen delegations to the convention, notwithstanding they vote against it.

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In the Methodist Church there is quite a prosperous condition of things. Rev. Mr. Craig, the pastor, has raised money and is completing the large new church edifice in that place. A fund is being raised for a new organ. At the left of the preacher's desk is a room communicating by folding doors with the main angience room called the "Presbyterian room." It is often well seated by Presbyterians, who go from the Presbyterian Caurch to hear Rev. Mr. Craig.

ROMAN CATIOLIC.

Albany, N. Y., hes a population of 93,000 souls, and the eleventh Catholic church has been opened there. It is not yet ready, however, for dedication.

The Benedictines have established a mission for colored people in Savannah, Ga., and left it in charge of Revs. F. Osward and M. Kadir.

Mgr. J. L. Spaiding will be consecrated Bishop of Peoria, ill, this month in St. Patrick's Cathedral, by Cardinat McCloskey. Bishop Foley, of Chicago, from whose charge the new see is divided, will be an assistant of shop on this occasion.

If any comfort can be drawn from the fact that 12,469 Roman Catholics and 10,194 Protestants, unbelievers, atheists, &c., were buried from this city in 1876. The Catholic papers give the figures. But they have another set of figures on this—namely, that these represent a population of 655,000 Protestants, &c., leaving 60,090 Jews, with a few others unclassified, to make up an aggregate of 1,250,000, supposed to be the present population of New York.

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The Catholic Church of the United States has a population of 6,200,000 souls, according to the intest and best estimates. These are watched over by a cardinal, 10 archbishops, 50 hishops and 3,297 priests. The churches number 5,292 and the schools 1,587; 1,200 students are preparting for the prie-thood.

The Swies National Catholic Church dispenses with celliney as an essential of the clerical office.

American Catholics who propose to travel in Germany or Switzerland this summer will be interested to know that confessions are heard in English in the Cathedral of Cologne, by Rev. Alphonsus Bellesheim, P. D., and in St. Gallen, Switzerland, by Rev. Canon Otto Zardetti, at the Cathedral.

A new Catholic church has been opened for services at Grindstone Island, N. S.

There are 8,000,000 Catholics in Russia, sight Rev. Matchew Quim is about to establish a Catholic college in his diocess of Bathurai, Australia. PRESENTERIAN.

Rev. Dr. Charles Houge, sector professor in Princeton Seminary, resigns his position, and his son, Dr. A. A. Hodge, of Alleghany Seminary, will probably be his successor.

Rev. John Hancock, late of Andover, has accepted a

has removed thither.

The Examiner and Chronicle says:—"Won't somebody wake up Dr. Craven, of Newark, N. J.? He is greatly needed in Chicago. Miss Smiley has been preacting to several Presbyterian churches in Chicago. She dian't call it preaching though; old no! She gave Bible readings,' that was all, and gave them in the lecture rooms of the churches. But on a recent occasion the lecture room was filled and a throng stood outside unable to obtain admission. The pastor, Dr. J. M. Munro, not having the lear of presbyteries and aynods before his eyes, had the audence room opened, and Miss Smiley preached from the pulpit. And people said it was a good sermon, too."

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The Rev. Norman Seaver, D. D., late of the First Church, Brooklyn, has received a call to the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Syracuse, and w.il accept. Dr. Joseph T. Duryas has been chosen ints accessor as chaplain of the rewenty-third regiment, N.G.S.N.Y. He is to preach to them some time toward the end of this moath.

Women seem to have a design on ministerial character eisewhere as well as here. Charges were recently made by one of them against the Rev. Mason Noble, Jr., of Springfield Mass. The Church field a poblic trial and examined withesses under oath, and concluded by a vote of 136 to 3 that it was a case of blackmail and that the character of the minister was pure and his conduct that of a christian gentleman.

Messix, Moody and Sankey deny the statement that they will conduct an immense meeting on the Capitol steps at Washingtonion to-day. Their

SHALL ISRAEL LIVE AGAIN? - SERMON BY DR MENDES IN THE FORTY-POURTH STREET SYN-AGOGUE.

A much larger congregation than usual assembled i the Forty-fourth Street Synagogue yesterday morning. Dr. Mendes began his discourse by saying:—One of the most remarkable—at the same time one of the least known of the prophets is Ezekiel. The time in of Judah. Like his elder contemporary, Jeremiah, his efforts were directed toward saving his people from destruction at the hands of the King of Babylon; bu his endeavors were vain and the catastrophe came. Ezekiel, like his brothers, mourned his country's downtall, but, wiser than they, he urged them to yie to circumstances, to bow to God's decree.

Though displaying se practical a spirit it is the char acteristic of Ezekiel that he allowed his poetic lancies to carry him to great heights. The book of Ezekiel alcoands in figures and allegories drawn from the whole kingstom of matter, and from the supernatural he found language in trees, books in the flowing brooks, sermons in stones and good in everything he saw.

Of all the surprising symbols he employed there is perhaps none more remarkable than the valley of dry bones. Babylon had conquered Psiestine; the question was were the survivors to think their God had been vanquished too? The dewish state had ceased to exist; was it not a fair question whether the Hebrews had not also come to an end? To this question the prophet returns the abswer "No, the busk has been smattered, but the kerner is there, the spirit lives on and is immortal?"—such was the prophety. The Rebrews have become accustomed to being a nation without a country; even our priesthood has passed away. If we do not hang our harps on the willow tree in our exile it is because we liebrews, with all the desire for change and novely, some are so fond or reproaching us with, cherish our musical endowments. If we do not weep in our exile it is because we bow our heads to circumstances. For 1,800 years the Rebrews have proved the latin motto, "Whereever I am well off, there is my country." acteristic of Ezekiel that he allowed his poetic fancies

OUR COMPLAINT BOOK.

COMPLIMENTS AS WILL AS COMPLAINTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE BERALD:-You should have a compliment book. The first com-pliment should go to the Hexand for opening a "Com-plaint Book." The second should go to Commissioner Campbell, because he attends to the RERALD'S "Com-plaint Book." For the first time in eight or ten years we have water on our third story. Two months ago the Hrrald complained we had not, and we have had it ever since. Other Commissioners have said the squeduct was not large enough to supply the city. Mr. Campbell has demonstrated that it is, and, at the same time, large enough to fill the empty reservoirs bosides, Let the public officers attend to the Herrito's "Complaint Book," and they will accomplish the purposes for which they were elected and their offices created.

FIFTY-SECOND STREER.

DROPPING INTO POETRY.

To the Entrop of the Herald:— Dear sir—Please excuse This item of news, But really I think it a shome;

Sleek, glossy and fat, as run over a few days ago

Was run over a few days age
By a passing street car;
And now from a'ar
A senen to my nostrils doth go
He lies on the track,
And forward and back
Both go all the drit carts at night;
But still there he lies,
Oh, where are the eyes
Of our drit men! I think they're shut tight,
I live in Tenth street,
So quiet and neat—
The number is one sixty-four;
But I, or that cat,
Must move out of that,
If to Jersey I have to cross o'er.

SEATS IN LADIES' CABINS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-I take the liberty to add a few lines to your "Complaint Book," which I hope every one who wears pantaloons will read. My triend and I, having occasion to cross Fulton terry every morning and night, would not feel at all uncomfortable in a seat in our ow

cabins, which we obtain only about once a fortnight. The other morning there were but aix ladies scated, the rest being selfish men. Why can they not be content with their own cabin, or else stand until the ladies are all scated?

TWO PLAIN-SPOKEN YOUNG LADIES. THE DUNKIRK MAILS.

To THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:letters do not reach their destination as soon as he desires. Now "W. D. W." is in error nearly one hour when he says the mail arrives in New York at halfpast six A. M. It leaves Dunkirk, as he says, at five minutes past one P. M. on train No. 12, carrying that mail, but is not due in New York when on time until twenty-five minutes past seven A. M.; but when it is late, as it has been often this winter, owing to the severe snow storms and other mishaps that railroads are subject to, it is often two to four hours late. Why then the mail would not arrive at the Post Office until about eleven o'clock A. M., leaving about three hours to overhaut and examine about one ton of mail matter and deliver "W. D. W.'s" letters at Thirty-fourth street and Broadway.

LONG DOCK.

REMOVE THE BARRELS.

To the Editor of the Henald:—
I wish to draw your attention to the fact that there has been no ash carts through Thirty-sixth street, behas been no ash carts the tween Seventh and Eighth avenues, for one week, tween Seventh and Eighth avenues, for one week, Cannot there be some means of having this attended A TENANT.

THE MILL BROOK SEWER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-I see that the trustees of St. John's College are going to protest against the Mill Brook sewer. The fact is that Mill Brook runs from the college through Fordham, Tremont, Morrisania and Melroso to the Harlen Kills tide water. The brook receives the sewer pipes from the offices of the Harlem Railroad, the school from the offices of the Harlem Railroad, the school houses of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth wards and St. John's College, making an open sewer, running lour miles, through villages containing nearly first thousand people. As long as the people will submit to this illegal use of the brook the college trustees will protest against being assessed for the building of the Mill Brook sewer. I am a taxpayer who will be assessed 500 feet each side of the proposed sewer.

TAXPAYER.

SIXTH AVENUE CARS. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-Many of the passengers who want to go to Veser street are landed at Canal and thus compelled to pay another fare. Now I grapt that during the evening a person with average eyesight cannot go wrong provided he carries a code of signal lights in his pocket— but in day time! Unless you are apprised of the fact

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-I desire to call your attention to the manner in which passongers on the horse cars are treated by the conductors, in being rudely ordered to move up or down on the seats. Please use your valuable aid by the power of the press in compelling these companies to divide off the seats, as in the terryboats, so that each passenger as he enters may see a vacant zeat, should there be one, by such division.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—
Your complainant against the construction of the galleries in the Temple Beth El, in Lexington avenue, corleries in the temple that the trustees have already taken steps to provide for additional exits, and plans have been prepared for that purpose.

A MEMBER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-I respectfully call your attention to the inadequate facilities for obtaining Croton water along the East Biger for tueboats. Water cannot be had above Seventeenth street, which causes considerable loss of time to beats plying further up the river than this point; whereas if hydrants were piaced say ten blocks apart along the buikhead much valuable time would be saved. Contractor Caulield charges each tugboat plying in the harbor the exorbitant sum of \$90 per annum for the privilege of using Croton water. Cannot the city authorities compoi Mr. Caulield to devote a small portion of this amount to making the desired improvement? Yours,

F. P. EASTMAN.

THEATRE PROGRAMMES. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :--

I beg to call your attention and that of the theatre going public in general, especially those who intend to visit the Fifth Avenue Theatre shortly, to the scarcity f programmes in this place of amusement. As it is, that part of the audience which does not arrive very early has to do without programmes. I visited this theatre twice within the past two weeks, arriving there each time about three minutes before the com-mencement of the performance, but got no programme. THEATRE GOER.

A CHANCE, FOR MR. JAMES. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-

dropped into the city delivery of the General Post Office, at eleven A. M. does not reach its destination— Madison avenue and Twenty-afth street—until five P. M. ? ABECASSIS.

A QUESTION OF SPELLING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD;-City directories promise to give to purchasers lists of names and residences, &c. They cortainly are bound to give the names correctly, such as they are, and not such as the publishers would prefer to make them; a wilful neglect of this is equivalent to swind-ling purchasers. E. F. Russell, agent for Wilson's ling purchasers. E. F. Russell, agent for Wilson's Directory, this morning refused to take Writer's name, such as it happens to be, except on payment of a certain sum, acting, as he says, under instructions of his employers; and the same has happened for a number of years with different directories and regardless of complaint by letter. When persons refuse to give their names directories are ever ready to publish the fact. Why should they not also publish the fact that they themselves refuse to print names correctly? F.

THE CROTON WATER QUESTION. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-

noticed an article, "Have We a Sufficient Supply of Water?" It states that a statement has been made by the Croton Water Bureau that there ought not to be any deficiency in the supply of Croton water to the residents of the upper portion of this city. I am

tome of it? The bureau labors under a mistake when it says no complaints have been made. Compraints and petitions affed with signatures of residents have been presented to them, and no notice taken, no remedy made. We were willing to submit to the inconvenience last summer, when the water was scarce and flow, but now we certainly ought to enjoy the luxury for a while. Soon the summer will be upon us again, and, no doubt, we will have more trouble; but let the water come now while it is there. Hoping you can device some way to bring this luxury to us, I remain, respectfully yours.

H. D. H., East 79th st.

CASE FOR THE S. P. C. C.

To the Editor of the Errald:the Prevention of Cruelty to Children to the case of young girl, apparently German, and about fifteen years old. She is either paralyzed or simulates it so wellthat it is hard to know. She may be seen almost every day in Barclay, Murray and the other streets in that neighborhood, balancing herself on one leg while she very slowly moves the other, taking a couple of min-utes to get in or out of a store, where, on account of her youth and (apparent) adjustion, she is generally successful in begging. The above society might take her up, and in any case prevent her being used as she now is, by, perhaps, some drunken mother or particle.

LADIES' SEATS ON PERRY BOATS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—
Your lady correspondent "J. A." wishes to know in
yesterday's Herald why gentlemen should use their cabin. The words ladies' cabin do not mean that no gentleman should use it, but a strict way of putting no smoking allowed. It would be a pretty fine thing in a civilized city to part busbands from wives, tathers from daughters, and force them, with people troubled with asthma and those who never smoke, into the smoking saloon to be choked with other people's smoke all for the aske of allowing a lady now and the a seat W. E. W.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-

Why is Purroy, Gale and their like at Albany lobby. ing, and should not their city salary be stopped when absent? As the mass of the people go party no more, cannot the independent press united give us a column of printed bailots of selected honest men, so we can rout these party Aldermon, Senators and Assemblymen at the next election. The people are ripe for it and only blue their fime.

NO PRIMARY HUMBUG.

THE LOANER'S BANK.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-What of the Leaner's Bank and its receiver? Eleven months since its failure, and we are no wiser to-day than we were on the 5th of May last, UNFORTUNATELY A DEPOSITOR.

EXTORTIONATE NEWS BOYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-I wish to put before you a barefaced outrage and one which should be stopped. On the Northern Railroad of New Jersey the boys are charging ten cents for the of New Jersey the boys are charging sea cent. of the Herald on Sunday, and at Sparkill, Rockland county, N. Y., only twenty-five miles out of the city, they are charging the same, and I know there are a great many poor people that cannot allord to pay such a price for the Errald on Sunday, though they would like to take A VICTIM.

STREET ANNOYANCES AND NUIS NEES "V. M." writes to say that the "Complaint Book" bas crowd of young rowdies who insult ladies and announced every passer-by. He adds :- "I would ask that your attention be turned toward the corner of Sixty-second street and Second avenue-a spot given up to a party of young roughs, headed by Reid and Chase, who in sult every girl and woman who by any mischance pass that way. The police keep their ears and eyes closed and complaints at the station house receive no attention. Perhaps you can do more than the people and police of the Nineteenth ward." "Questioner" humorously states that in Roosevelt

street yesterday a monument of mud was erected to the memory of the Police Commissioners. The street was cleaned yesterday, but the dirt was allowed to remain in piles three feet high. Why not have the carte sent at the same time to carry this stuff away?

"J. V." thinks it is about time for Division street, near the Bowery, to be cleaned, as the same has not been cleaned since last fail. "A Resident of Forty-second street" would like to ask the Park Commissioners why it was that Union and Madison parks were lighted, opened at night and

certainly a public playground, as probably more children occupy it for recreation during the day than any other park of its size in the city.
"Short Growls" says that ashes and garbage have not been removed at all during all this week from West

taken care of while Reservoir Park was closed at duak,

lamps never lighted and walks allowed to remain in a

dilapidated condition, never undergoing repair? It is

Futy-fourth street, between Seventh and Eighth ave-"Anti-Mud Puddle" states that directly in front of the Catharine ferryhouse, in South street, whenever there is a rain, a large pool of water, covering the railroad track, is formed, owing to imperfect drainage, causing passengers to and from Brooklyn to go much out of their way through the mud to avoid it. It has been there more or less all winter, and is a serious nancy-ance to pedestrians.

ance to pedestrians.

"W. S." writes briefly to say that the ashes in front of No. 246 East Frity-seventh street, have been standing there for some time, and are bein; piled higher every day. It is about time the Street Cleaning Bureau attended to this.

"A Taxpayer" asks why does not the Commissioner of Public Works or the Board of Aldermen have avenue A, from Twenty-turd to Twenty-tourth street, repaired? It is the worst block, without exception, in the city, and last summer funerals at the rate of ten a day passed this block to go to the Greenpoint ferry.

"H. T. C." writes that while passing through Thirtieth street, between Broadway and Niath avenue, he noticed ash barrels which had stood on the sidewalk for a long time, some of them planacled very much resembling barrels of sugar as seen in Iront of greery stores.

"B. M. H." asks a place in the Complaint Book to

"B, M. H." asks a place in the Complaint Book to show up the disgraceful condition of avenue A. between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets. Although it is the principal street to the Greenpoint ferry and is extensively used by carriages and heavy trucks its condition is such as to render it absolutely dangerous to life and limb if you ride on it laster than a wals. It is full of holes and has not been cleaned since last fall.

"A Disgusted Person" intimates that the people in the neighborhood of Frity-seventh street, between Second and Third avenues, are always complaining of the ashes winch are allowed to lie about in the ash boxes in front of tenement houses for two or three months at a time.

"Mangin Street" says that there is a street running from Guerck to Mangin street, between Granu and Broome streets, called Rachor lane, but better known to the residents of the locality as "Pig Alley." It is always in a fifthy condition, and the suewalk on Maugin street has never been paved except with cobble stone; and the refuse from the alley flows down across the sidewalk, making it very unpleasant.

"E. H." writes to say that Thirty-first street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, contains mountains of mud and garbage, and on each side of twagons blocking the thoroughfare.

"I. S. W." wants to know the reason why 119th street is not paved below avenue A, which is at the present time in a norrible condition, and has been so when all the surrounding streets are clean and dry. It is aimost impossible for wagons to pass through this street.

"One Who was Insulted" calls the attention of the

street.
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Captain (of the Nineteenth precinct to the gang of
roughs who congregate on the corner of Seventy eighth
street and Third avenue nightly and insult decent

people.
"A Lady" inquires:—"Is there no law to deter boys

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"A Lady" inquires:—"Is there no law to deter boys from running velocipedes on the sidewalks, destroying ladies' dresses and knecking down children? If there is I should think the captain of the Nineteenth precinct would stop them, particularly on the Sablath."

"Verbum Sap" wishes to inform the authorities that Greenwich avenue, near Eighth avenue, opposite and adjacent to Jackson Park, is a place to examine. There the fifth of lour streets coagulates and dispenses its odorous flavors.

"J. B. G." wishes to say that the ashes and mud in Thirty-fourth street, between First and Sacond avenues, have not been removed since last November. To reach a car you have to wade through fifth two feet deep, not only in the roadway, but on the sidewalk.

"Junius" asks if pedestrians are to have any rights in this city. Sidewalks are supposed to be for the absolute use of pedestrians, and crosswalks are provided for them. The Mayor and the Corporation Gounsel are supposed to chlores the law, yet if either of these officials were to walk through Reade street, from Church to West Broadway, they would find it difficult to pass, because the sidewalks are blockaded.

"A Constant Reader" remarks that they have no Harald Complaint Blook in Hoboken or else the Street Commissioner of that piace would perhaps pay a intile more attention to his duty than he has shown so far. Over eigneen months ago, a rich property owner removed over twenty-five feet of flags from in front of No. 25 Monroe street, between First and Secondarcess to one of his loss in another street, and up to the present day, never replaced them. Numerous petitions to the Council had been made by the property owners of said brock to instreet the Street Commissioner to have these flags replaced, or at least the owner compelled to do so, but no heed was paid to it.

"T. I'," wishen space enough to complain of Thomas street, between lindson street and Weet Broadway. It is in a diagraceful state, with ashes and garbage